

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/790,507  
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Examiner: Zhou, Shubo  
Group Art Unit: 1631  
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Cambridge, Massachusetts

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Examiner Zhou:

This is in response to the November 3, 2008 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have also petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the period for responding to the November 3, 2008 Office Action for three (3) months, from February 3, 2009 up to and including May 3, 2009, and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(3). Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is timely filed.

Amendment to the specification begin at page 2 of this Amendment and Response.

Claim amendments begin at page 3 of this Amendment and Response.

Remarks begin at page 13 of this Amendment and Response.